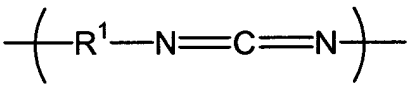
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

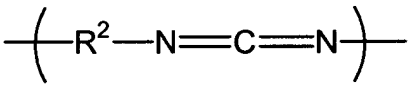
LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): A polycarbodiimide copolymer having a repeating structural unit represented by the following formula (1) in a number "m":



(1)

(wherein R^1 means a naphthylene group) and a repeating structural unit represented by the following formula (2) in a number "n":



(2)

(wherein R^2 means an organic diisocyanate residue other than the aforementioned R^1) and also having on both termini a terminal structural unit derived from a monoisocyanate, wherein m + n is from 3 to 200 and n/(m + n) is from 0.05 to 0.99.

2. (original): The polycarbodiimide copolymer according to claim 1, wherein n in the aforementioned formula is an integer of from 3 to 198.

3. (original): A solution of a polycarbodiimide copolymer, comprising an aprotic organic solvent and the polycarbodiimide copolymer of claim 1 dissolved therein.

4. (original): A solution of a polycarbodiimide copolymer, comprising an aprotic organic solvent and the polycarbodiimide copolymer of claim 2 dissolved therein.

5. (currently amended): A method for producing a polycarbodiimide copolymer, which comprises carrying out carbodiimidation reaction of naphthalene diisocyanate, an organic diisocyanate other than naphthalene diisocyanate, and a monoisocyanate in the presence of a carbodiimidation catalyst, wherein the reaction is carried out at a temperature of from 0 to 120°C using 5% by mol or more of naphthalene diisocyanate based on the total organic isocyanate.